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## Intimations.



### GOVERNMENT BILLS.

THE Tenders for SPECIE, "Mexican Dollars" current in this Colony, weighing 7.17, in Exchange for STERLING BILLS, drawn at 10 days' sight, on the Lords Commissioners of HER MAJESTY'S TREASURY, LONDON, will be RECEIVED by the CHIEF PAYMASTER, ARMY Pay Department, until 12, Noon, on FRIDAY, 12th Instant.

The Tenders to state the Total Amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the Amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100.

The Tenders to be in duplicate, in Sealed Covers, addressed to "The Chief Paymaster," Army Pay Department, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

W. M. HUGHES, Lt.-Col.,  
Chief Paymaster.

HER MAJESTY'S  
TREASURY OFFICE,  
Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, 10th November, 1886. 2148

### Banks.

#### NOTICE.

#### RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3*4* per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked "On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business" is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION,  
JOHN WALTER,  
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, June 7, 1886. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$7,500,000  
RESERVE FUND.....\$4,500,000  
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION.....\$200,000  
OF DIVIDENDS.....\$200,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-  
PRIETORS.....\$7,500,000

COMMITTEE OF DIRECTORS.  
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Bank.

HONGKONG.  
INTEREST ALLOWED.  
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JOHN WALTER,  
Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 26, 1886. 947

### Notices of Firms.

#### NOTICE.

#### HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. F. W. GROSS having been appointed by The London Board of Directors of the above Company as MANAGER of their Works will TAKE CHARGE of same from this date. P. RYRIE,  
Chairman, Local Committee.

Hongkong, November 1, 1886. 2072

#### NOTICE.

DURING MR. ADAMS' Absence from China, Mr. GEORGE EDWARD JAMES GARDINER and Mr. ANTONIO BRAZ DA ROZA are authorized to sign our Firm per Procuracion.

BIRLEY & CO.

Canton, 1st November, 1886. 2065

#### SAILOR'S HOME.

A NY Cast-off Clothing, Books, or A PAPER will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point, Hongkong, July 26, 1878.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1886.

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR CARDS.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE now Received their full Stock of CARDS. Their full ASSORTMENT contains many NOVELTIES:—

SOMETHING QUITE NEW—CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR AUTOGRAPHIC CARDS.

Beautiful Designs in half-dozen boxes, with Envelopes to match.

Also,  
A LARGE VARIETY OF DESIGNS IN PRANG'S ARTISTIC  
HAND PAINTED CARDS,  
GOLD LACQUERED FLORAL CARDS,  
THE CHINIAN SERIES,  
SKETCHES by Landseer,  
THE ART GALLERY SERIES,  
ANTIQUE CARDS in boxes,  
PAINTED PORCELAIN mounted on Plush,  
PAINTED SATIN WALL SHIELDS,  
EMBROIDERED SACHERS,  
ALBUMS OF POETRY.

Each Card is supplied with  
a suitable Wrapper  
and Envelope.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, November 6, 1886. 2122

Victoria Hotel,  
Praya and Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour, and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place.

The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL.

The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, READING, BILLIARD and SMOKING ROOMS.

The HOTEL is unapproached for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABEE & HING KEE,  
Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 16, 1885. 1612

ROBERT LANG & CO.,  
Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters,  
QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

ST. ANDREW'S BALL.

SPECIALLY

BLACK SUPERFINE CLOTH DRESS SUIT

\$30.00.

HIGHLAND COSTUMES.

We Have Imported a Selection of  
CLAN TARTANS, KILTINGS, SPORRANS,  
SKENE DHUS, &c., &c.

See our East Window.

Hongkong, November 1, 1886. 2081

THE BON MARCHE.

(CHEAP MARKET.)

ADJOINING THE STAG HOTEL (NEXT DOOR).

CONSISTING OF A STOCK OF FANCY AND USEFUL ARTICLES,

PIPS, TOBACCOES, CIGARS, BOOKS, NOVELS, MUSIC,

WATCHES, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, ALBUMS, KNIVES, CLOKS, and a varied Stock of Fancy GOODS of all kinds.

BON MARCHE, next door to THE STAG HOTEL.

Hongkong, September 8, 1886. 1739

KELLY & WALSH, LTD.,

ARE NOW SHOWING THEIR NEW SEASON'S

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S CARDS,

Comprising—

A Magnificent Assortment of PRANG'S AMERICAN CARDS, HAND PAINTED OPALS,

and a very large Selection of CHEAP CARDS ranging in Price from 5 Cents upwards.

THE SPECIAL NOVELTY OF THIS SEASON

CONSISTS OF A SERIES OF

ORIGINAL WATER COLOUR PANEL SKETCHES,

DEPICTING CHINESE LIFE AND CHARACTER,

especially Painted for us by ENGLISH ARTISTS.

We are Sole Agents for Mr. Griffith's CHRISTMAS PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEWS,

which obtained a large measure of success last year. A New Set of VIEWS and

CHARACTER SKETCHES, with suitable Greetings in ENGLISH and GERMAN,

is in active preparation.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, October 25, 1886. 2027

W. POWELL & CO.

Toys! Toys!! Toys!!!

OVER 300 DOLLS.

TOYS of every Description.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS in great Variety.

A Choice Selection of CHRISTMAS CARDS.

ALBUMS, WORK BASKETS, WRITING CASES, PLUSH & LEATHER BAGS,

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S COMPANIONS, PERAMBULATORS,

&c., &c.

W. POWELL & CO.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, November 8, 1886. 2128

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1886.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested

to send in to this Office a List of their Contributions of Premium for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the PROPORTION of PROFIT for that year may be ascertained. Returns not sent in

before the 30th November next, will be made up by the Company, and no other

return Claims or Alterations will be allowed.

By Order of the Directors,

JAS. B. COUGHLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, November 8, 1886. 2131

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use

of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office. Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

Hongkong, October 1, 1886. 1874

WASHERMANS BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMANS BOOKS, for the use

of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office. Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

Hongkong, October 1, 1886. 1874

WASHERMANS BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

## For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL &amp; CO.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL

HAVE FOR SALE

THE FOLLOWING

## STORES.

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EX AMERICAN MAIL STEAMER.

Smoked HAMS.

Golden SYRUP in Gallon Tins.

Assorted SYRUPS.

Cutting's Table FRUITS.

ASPARAGUS.

Queen OLIVES.

Sausage MEAT.

CAVIAR.

Potted MEATS.

MACKEREL in 5lb Tins.

Eagle Brand MILK.

Lamb's TONGUES.

Green CORN.

Baked BEANS.

BROWN.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT of COOKING AND PARLOUR STOVES.

AGATE IRON WARE COOKING UTENSILS.

WOLFIRE IRONS.

CHARCOAL IRONS.

KEROSENE LAMPS.

NONPARUEL KEROSENE OIL.

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## WINES, &amp;c.

SPARKLING SAUMUR, Pts. &amp; Qts. @ \$11 and \$12.

CUP CHAMPAGNE, Pts. &amp; Qts. @ \$12 and \$14.

SAUCON'S SHERRY.

SAUCON'S INVALID PORT.

ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.

JAMESON'S WHISKY.

OLD BOURBON WHISKY.

HERING'S CHERRY CORDIAL.

ASSORTED LEQUEURS.

DRAUGHT, ALE and PORTER.

&amp;c., &amp;c., &amp;c.

THE USUAL ASSORTMENT of

OILMAN'S STORES, at the Lowest Possible Prices FOR CASH.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM &amp; Co.'s CHAMPAGNE,

Quarts.....\$20 per Case of 1 doz.

Pints.....\$21 " 2 "

Dubois Frères &amp; de Germon &amp; Co.'s BORDEAUX CLARETS and WHITE WINES.

Baxter's Celebrated 'Barley B's' WHISKY, \$7 per Case of 1 doz.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; Co.

Hongkong, July 18, 1884. 1287

## To Let.

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A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE at the PEAK, Good TENNIS GROUND attached. Apply to DENNYS &amp; MOSSOP.

Hongkong, January 28, 1886. 192

## TO LET.

FROM the 1st September next, the Commercial PREMISES known as the P. &amp; O. OLD OFFICES, lately in the occupation of the HONKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

For further Particulars, apply to the Undersigned.

E. L. WOODIN,

Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, August 21, 1886. 1614

## TO LET.

ROOMS in 'COLLEGE CHAMBERS,' No. 16, HOLLYWOOD ROAD. Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS &amp; Co.

Hongkong, September 26, 1886. 632

## TO BE LET.

THE NEW PREMISES, BANK BUILDINGS, immediately opposite the HONGKONG HOTEL'S Main Entrance. Two Hand-some Plate-Glass Shop Frontages each of 40 feet.

'BREEZY POINT,' ROBINSON ROAD.

GODOWNS at WEST POINT—Large and Small.

## COAL STORAGE.

Apply to 1862 SHARP &amp; Co.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

FRED. P. LITCHFIELD, Am. barque, Capt. O. O. Young—Gonsalves &amp; Co.

JOHANN, German barque, Captain R. Buryhardt—Carlowitz &amp; Co.

JOHN FRAER, British ship, Capt. Theo. Ryan—Messageries Maritimes.

MEDUSA, Austro-Hung. steamer, Capt. E. Perini—O. Bahrach.

RALPH M. HAYWARD, Am. bark, Capt. Joseph Barker—Arnold, Karberg &amp; Co.

SARAH HIGGINS, American ship, Capt. A. Morgan—Ed. Schellhas &amp; Co.

## Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE FIRST PERFORMANCE OF THE SEASON will take place on

THEATRE ROYAL,

the 18th November, at 9 p.m.

Who will be performed

A COMEDY IN THREE ACTS,

by J. STIRLING COYNE,

entitled:

A WIDOW HUNT.

Tickets (\$2 each) may be obtained from

MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD &amp; Co., and after Monday, 15th November, at 9 a.m.

H. M. THOMSETT,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, November 8, 1886. 2132

Under the Trusteeship of Mr. H. M. McCallum.

This Unique Collection now exhibited for the First Time contains Master-pieces by well-known Artists, and is well worth the trifling expenditure of Thirty Chats.

Catalogues can be purchased at the entrance.

AL FRESCO FÊTE!

in aid of our Local Barnard.

ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

PUBLIC GARDENS,

TO-MORROW &amp; SATURDAY,

12th and 13th November, 1886.

Patron—His Excellency W. H. MARSH, C.M.G.

Vice-Patron—His Excellency Major-General CAMERON, C.B.; The Honourable Sir G. PHILLIPS, Knt.; The Right Reverend Bishop BURTON.

Stewards—Commodore MORANT, R.N.; Hon. F. STEWART, Hon. A. LISTER; Hon. E. J. ACKROYD; Hon. J. M. PRICE; Hon. G. THOMAS; R.N.; Hon. J. H. BELLING, Hon. R. P. McEVILLY; Hon. W. W. SPENCER; Colonel ANDERSON; Dr. FRASER, R.N.; Dr. HARTWOOD; Dr. JORDAN; Dr. MANSION; Dr. YOUNG; Dr. CHALMERS; A. G. ROMANO, Esq.; H. HOPE; Esq.; M. GROTH, Esq.; N. N. MC'DY, Esq.; O. P. CHAZEN, Esq.

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Chinese Entertainments.

6 to 9 P.M. ALL FREE.

CHINESE MARIONNETTES.

PIECES:

THIS FLOWER SPRAY,

CHEUNG SAM AND HIS WIFE,

ALAN, THE PIGEON.

CHINESE BAND,

November 12th.

THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE SIX KINGDOMS.

SACRIFICE AT THE SHRINE OF MAN SAU.

November 13th.

CELEBRATION OF LONGEVITY BY THE EIGHT GRAND PARENTS.

GRAND PREDSENTATION OF A MALE CHILD

THE KING OF HEAVENS ASCENDING HIS THRONE.

THE WANDERING OF YUK LUNG, THE PRINCE.

CHINESE THEATRE.

Chinese Jugglers and Tumblers.

SPORTING LION.

Elaborate Capers by a Monks from Manchuria specially captured for the occasion.

MISCELLANEOUS ENTERTAINMENTS.

STALL FOR THE SALE OF FANCY WORK AND EMBROIDERIES.

Mrs. CHALMERS, assisted by other Ladies.

STALL FOR THE SALE OF FANCY GOODS.

Mrs. JAMESON and Miss CROZDALE.

REFRESHMENT STALL,

TEA, COFFEE, &amp;c.,

Mrs. and the Misses WITHERS.

DAIRY FARM STALL,

Strawberries and Cream, Milk, &amp;c.

Mrs. MANSION, Miss SUTTON, and Miss ROYAL.

To Let.

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A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE at the PEAK, Good TENNIS GROUND attached. Apply to DENNYS &amp; MOSSOP.

Hongkong, January 28, 1886. 192

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The final estimates for the gigantic iron tower which is to be a feature of the 1880 Exhibition are now ready. The State will contribute one-and-a-half million francs, and the remaining sum of six million will be furnished by the contractors, who will acquire possession of the tower for twenty years. There is still some dispute about its height. No one can tell exactly how near the construction, which will be three times the height of the Eiffel Tower, may be allowed to approach the surrounding buildings without entirely dwarfing them. The difficulty will shortly be solved in this way: A committee of 100,000 will be let up to the previous height, and four cables reaching down to the ground will represent to the eye the four angles of the tower. At intervals flags will be hung to mark out the positions of the several stories.

We who chronicled the birth of Volapuk mourn over its untimely decease. Some two years ago we watched by its cradle, it is now our task to weep by its bier. Volapuk, it may be remembered, was to become the language of the whole commercial world. It is now numbered among the dead languages: the society bearing its name has ceased to exist. The rise and fall of the universal language of the nineteenth century can be told in few words if it is even told at all, and the chief moral of the tale will be this: Don't dream any language which you may create is likely to be the language of commerce for that fact alone will prevent a considerable section of the educated public from even attempting to learn it. Volapuk has been a good joke, but it has its moral. —*Pal Mall Gazette*.

## THE AL FRESCO FETE.

In another column will be found the complete programme of the grand *al fresco* fete that is to be held in the Public Gardens to-morrow evening. The preparations for the event are about completed, and from the appearance of the grounds now almost covered with bamboo erections of one kind or another, some idea of the grand scale on which the demonstration has been got up may be had. On entering by the lower western gate the first erection that attracts a eye is an immense bamboo scaffold from which, instead of criminals, burning pagodas and all the fantastic lights of the Chinese will be suspended. On the lower terrace is a large bamboo theatre house seated for some five or six hundred people, which will be graced by the presence of a noble lord, a few rich pirates, a distinguished gentleman of the name of Beach Comber, who will appear in quite an original burlesque entitled "Butter Cap Bower" composed by Captain Burbury. The *debutantes* persons are Messrs C. H. G. and Captain Burbury, Captain Ramsey, N. G. Mitchell-Innes, H. M. Thomsont and J. Whittle, the last appearing as village beauty "Nancy Buttercup." Behind the theatre is a matador, where there will be a magic lantern exhibition and things curious and beautiful will be seen. Ascending to the fountain terrace we find an angel in the fountain the ladies' fancy stalls. At the lower end on the east side is Mrs Chalmers' stall of fancy work and embroidery, while at the upper end on the sides is the dairy stall provided over by Mrs Manson, Miss Sutton and Miss Royal, where the delicacy, rare in this quarter of the globe, strawberries and cream, is to be had. In front of the steps to the upper part of the garden is a stall loaded with fancy goods which will be presided over by Mrs Jameson and Miss Crisfield. On the west side of the fountain the refreshment stall for tea coffee, &c., presided over by Mrs and the Misses Withers, and the flower stall presided over by Mrs Bell-Irving and Mrs Wiss. Between these two stalls is a small art gallery under the protection of fair goddesses of art and beauty. At the eastern end of this terrace is a large refreshment tent with a bar running across the whole breadth of the terrace, where refreshments will be supplied on presenting cheques to be had at the bar. Behind the bar the open space as far as the fancy goods stalls will be laid out with small tables and rows of chairs and tables, whither those who wish to "refresh" in quiet may bathe with themselves.

Returning to the fountain and ascending the steps to the upper terrace we find in front of the fountain a raised stand where a band of Chinese musicians will discourse music sweet or otherwise. A very classical programme will be drawn up, and doubtless it will be the fault of the hearers themselves if they are not enthralled and elevated by the playing of such pieces as "The King of Heaven ascending his throne." Chinese jugglers and tumblers will also perform, and the historic abilities of Chinese actors will be displayed to a doubtless admiring crowd. At the east end of this terrace Miss Kelly, who has just arrived from Paris with the latest fashions, will display her charms, and will of course dispense her favours to the bravest and best marksmen. Not far from this there will be a display of Chinese mattockes, with fantastic figures in all sorts of fantastic evolutions. At the western end of this terrace is a shooting gallery which will be presided over by Mr Swales, who undertakes to conduct the business according to his idea of "Home Rule principles." Higher up the hill is a refreshment tent for Chinese, and above this a stand on which a sportive lion from Manchuria will caper. Not far from the bear's house the Telephone Company have erected a building in which music from afar it to be heard by telephone. A sylvan retreat has been found in a grove not far from the old bandstand, where a witching sorceress, with her cauldron, will weave the destinies of men, tell us who is to be our next Governor and predict the day when there will be no more need for a Sanitary Board.

The grounds will be brilliantly illuminated by 3,000 Japanese lamps in addition to the numerous lamps attached to each stall.

The following is the order of events:

## CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL")

Jerusalem, Palestine, Sept. 28, 1886.

SIR.—It is not time that Houghton should have an "Institution for the Blind." Could one spend their energies in a better purpose than in laboring for the founding and sustaining of such a benevolence? The greatest need of hospitals, asylums and schools for the blind of Canton city and province, and the desirability of Hongkong, as the location of some of the first of them, need not here be discussed. The question with us should be, what steps can we immediately take in the matter? Let us urge that Hongkong have its first Institution for the Blind very soon. We have paid visits to a school here at Jerusalem where a branch department is for blind Syrian boys. In the forenoon they are occupied with books, in the afternoon with tools in a large convenient work shop. The progress of these thirteen boys is great, as their work testifies. The trades taught by a German from Dresden are practical ways of self-support for them when they must leave the school to make room for others and younger. One boy whilst we were in the room made such headway upon a lady's work basket of colored straw, braids, &c., that we should have thought, if our daily experience had been different, that blind boy's nimble fingers will rise up in judgment against us. Another made the best part of a two-handed flexible market basket while we were there. He had his material strong kind of rush as his material which he was sewing into shape with the same rush single. Others were

braiding this rush for the basket maker and two little fellows were braiding the colored straw which goes into hats, table mats and the fancy work baskets mentioned above. Two large fellows were finishing off a stout compact hemp rope. The building is long enough to serve as a rope walk and the vigor with which they followed each other back and forth along that rope with wet towels showed that they were getting the healthy exercise so often debarred the blind. The specimens of ropes and cords made would set up a grocery or serve for a case at an exhibition. Oars are resected, with split bamboo, and the weaving of tape is attempted with a large loom to be worked after a little more experience. We have given you a hint of what can be done through a patient German's efforts, and certainly the success which he has made of only two years will stimulate to a like effort in China. We again thank you for your kind words.

The latest estimate of the European root crop shows that the expected yield will be 2,650,000 tons.

## NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The British steamer *Southern* (Captain Harris), which arrived here to-day from Australian ports, brought on exchange containing the following telegrams:

THE CRUSAZ IN BULGARIA.

London, Oct. 10.—The efforts of General Kaulbars to incite the Bulgarian army to acts of treason have failed. Anti-Russian meetings are being held everywhere.

Oct. 11.—A plot has been discovered in Bulgaria to provoke a rebellion in the chief cities of that country on the 15th instant as a prelude to an Russian occupation of Bulgaria on Novembar 9.

Russia is massing troops at Odessa and Sebastopol, and also on the Austrian and Roumanian frontiers.

The Tsar of Russia is in a state of nervous excitement.

Sofia, Oct. 8.—The Provisional Government of Bulgaria has sent a diplomatic note to the Great Powers, protesting against the action of the Russian agents, General Kaulbars, in endeavouring to coerce the inhabitants of the country.

Oct. 11.—The general elections for the Soviets have been virtually completed, and have resulted in an immense majority for the Government party and the crushing defeat of the Russian sympathizers.

Russian consuls in all the principal towns actively endeavoured to prevent the elections being held, but without the least success.

Varna, Oct. 8.—Speaking in the Reichsrath last night, Count von Fante, the Austrian President of the Council of Ministers, stated that there was no ground for apprehension that the close and trustful relations existing between Austria and Germany would be loosened in any way by the complications arising with Russia over the Bulgarian question.

Sofia, Oct. 11.—The elections for the Sozbrano took place yesterday, and resulted in this city in a serious tumult. About 150 peasants, acting on the initiative of the Russian Consul, M. Neklinoff, attempted to obstruct the polling. An armed conflict ensued, requiring the intervention of the gendarmerie to disperse the combatants, many of whom received serious wounds.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 12.—The general opinion expressed by the Russian press is that a pacific solution of the difficulty between Russia and Bulgaria is hopeless.

The Moscow *Pravda* publishes an article on the Bulgarian crisis, urging the Tsar to undertake the Russian occupation of Bulgaria. The will of Russia, the writer declares, remains firm, and she has no need to listen to the wishes of any foreign Power.

THE FINANCIERS OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

London, Oct. 7.—Enquiries are being made as to the Steel Exchange as to whether the view to be taken of the 29,000,000 announced in the New South Wales Parliament is additional to the deficit which had been previously declared.

Oct. 8.—New South Wales stocks have receded 2 per cent.

Oct. 9.—Explanations have been received from Sir Patrick Jennings relative to the actual position of the finances of New South Wales, and these had a good effect. Now South Wales stock has recovered 2 per cent.

THE RECENTIVE QUESTION.

London, Oct. 8.—The Paris *Gazette* states that 350 recidivists will embark for New Caledonia on the 31st instant.

THE MILITARY REVOLT IN SPAIN.

London, Oct. 6.—The Queen Regent of Spain has committed the capital sentences passed on the soldiers of the garrison at Madrid who were concerned in the late unsuccessful rising against the Government.

Oct. 8.—Señor Sagasta's colleagues have resigned.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

London, Oct. 13.—Germany is rapidly arming her military forces with repeating rifles.

The organs of General Boulanger, Minister of War in the French Government, predict a conflict with Germany on an early date.

AFFAIRS IN THE COQUA.

Cairo, Oct. 7.—Active hostilities have been renewed between the friendly natives and the followers of Osman Digna, in the neighbourhood of Tama. The former succeeded in capturing the town to-day, killing 200 and wounding many.

THE ANTI-CHINESE AGITATION IN QUEENS LAND.

Brisbane, Oct. 10.—The Charlers Towers Anti-Chinese League now numbers over 500. A European vegetable garden company has started operations. The anti-Chinese feeling is increasing, and over 300 have joined the league on Saturday night. The Chinese stores keepers did scarcely any business.

Their shops are watched by members of the league. A meeting of miners is called for next Saturday to form a union against the Chinese.

MICROSCOPICAL CADDE NEWS.

Oct. 8.—The warm manner in which the Sultan of Turkey has received the Admiral of the French fleet now in Turkish waters is much commented upon.

Oct. 9.—Mr. Edward Stanhope has declined to grant an interview at present to Mr. John Norton, the delegate of the Sydney Trades and Labour Council. He has informed Mr. Norton that he must forward trade reports through Lord Carrington. Mr. Norton has replied that the trades will not consent to their reports being criticized and privately amended. He states that the Emigration Bureau in London is circulating glaringly misleading information concerning the condition of the labour market in the colonies.

Sir William Des Vaux Governor of Fiji will probably succeed Sir George Strachan as Governor of Tasmania.

Messrs. A. Rance and Sons of Chelsea, sawmill proprietors and mechanical engineers, who whom arranged with the Government to supply the British authorities to test the quality of colonial timbers, state New South Wales ironbark and ironbark, Victorian blackwood, the Iauri and jarrah timbers of Western Australia, and several kinds of the New Zealand woods are eminently suitable for the English market.

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## Intimations.

## Insurances.

## Mails.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

SHIPPING IN CHINA, JAPAN  
AND PHILIPPINES  
WATERS.

## WHAMPOA.

Vessel's Name.	Flag & Rig.	Destination.
Ashington	Brit. str.	Shanghai
Fero	Ger. str.	
Fuyew	Chi. str.	Hongkong
Killarney	Brit. str.	
Mofoo	Chi. str.	Shanghai
Naxoo	Brit. bge.	
Orient	Ger. bge.	
Peccil	Brit. str.	

## AMOY.

In port on November 5, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Elsa	German	
Hailoong	British	
Leesang	British	

## MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Anna Dorothia	Ger. bge.	
Chateaubriand	Brit. bge.	
Maria	Brit. bge.	

## FOOCHOW.

In port on October 30, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Afghan	British	
China	German	
Hae-shin	Chinese	Hankow, &c.
Haiphong	British	
Titen	British	

## MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS.

Alma	Nor. bge.	
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## SHANGHAI.

In port on November 4, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Agamemnon	British	
Cathay	British	
Ingoborg	British	
Kiang-foo	Chinese	
Moray	British	London, &c.

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Alma	Nor. bge.	
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## NAGASAKI.

In port on November 3, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Kozaki Maru	Japan, bge.	
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## YOKOHAMA.

In port on October 30, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Archimede	Brit. bge.	
Beatrice	Brit. bge.	
R. Gramp	Ger. bge.	
George	Brit. bge.	
Republic	Amer. sh.	
St. Nicholas	Amer. sh.	
Theo. Ruyer	Ger. sh.	
Ventura	Brit. sh.	

## KOBE.

In port on November 1, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

C. D. Bryant	Amer. bge.	
Lella	Brit. bge.	
Queen Emma	Brit. bge.	

## HIOGO.

In port on November 1, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

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Lella	Brit. bge.	
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## MANILA.

In port on October 30, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

E. of Oregon	Amer. bge.	
Carra	Ger. bge.	
Chas. G. Rice	Brit. bge.	
Deo	Brit. bge.	
Euphena	Brit. bge.	
J. M. Clerk	Brit. bge.	
Mabel Taylor	Brit. sh.	
Minnie Burrill	Gen. sh.	
Samar	Amer. bge.	

## ILIOILO.

In Port on October 14, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

Socolo	Amer. sh.	
St. Julian	Brit. bge.	
Troubadour	Ger. sch.	

## CEBU.

In Port on October 12, 1886.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

H. G. Johnson	Amer. bge.	
McLaurin	Amer. sh.	

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